

The original FOIA request reads:

“Under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, we are requesting copies of certain records evidencing inspections, enforcement, or other regulatory activity occurring at or relating to the Anaconda Aluminum Co Columbia Falls Reduction Plant located in Columbia Falls, Montana (the “Site”). The Site is currently owned by Columbia Falls Aluminum Company (“CFAC”), which is in turn owned by Glencore AG (“Glencore”). The Site may be referred to in the EPA records as the “Columbia Falls Aluminum Company Plant” or “CFAC” or the “CFAC Plant.” The EPA added the Site to the National Priorities List on September 9, 2016. The Site’s EPA ID is MTD057561763. The EPA Administrative Settlement and Order on Consent for Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study governing CERCLA response actions at the Site is identified by CERCLA Docket No. 08-2016-0002.

In particular we request all records relating to:

1. Communications, inspections, enforcement, or other regulatory activity by the EPA and its affiliates, pertaining to the Site. This request includes, but is not necessarily limited to, inspection reports, field inspection notes, other reports, permits, notices of violation, and enforcement-related orders;
2. All communications with, and all documents sent to or received from, CFAC or Glencore relating to the Site;
3. All communications with, and all documents sent to or received from, the Montana Department of Environmental Quality relating to the Site;
4. All documents produced by CFAC to the EPA in response to the EPA’s 2014 request for information under CERCLA Section 104(e), 42 U.S.C. § 9604(e);
5. All documents listed on the EPA Site File Index for the Site; and
6. All documents contained in the EPA Administrative Record for the Site.

If possible, I would prefer to receive the requested records in electronic form (e.g., CD/DVD). If the copies cannot be transmitted electronically, please mail the copies of the records to me with an itemized invoice.”

We agreed to prepare a DVD of EPA-R8-2018-003543 to be picked up by Pamela Lee. Ms. Lee will open the documents from the DVD for review. Ms. Lee picked it up today, December 13th. I have sent her copies of the documents she indicated were not readable.

A new FOIA will be submitted by requester for emails prior to March 2013.

Information requested in this current FOIA Request are modified to state:

Communications changed to read:

1. Communications, inspections, enforcement, or other regulatory activity by the EPA and its affiliates, pertaining to the Site. This request includes, but is not necessarily limited to, inspection reports, field inspection notes, other reports, permits, notices of violation, and enforcement-related orders March 2013 to December 12, 2018;
2. All communications with, and all documents sent to or received from, CFAC or Glencore relating to the Site March 2013 to December 12, 2018;
3. All communications with, and all documents sent to or received from, the Montana Department of Environmental Quality relating to the Site March 2013 to December 12, 2018;

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4. All documents produced by CFAC to the EPA in response to the EPA's 2014 request for information under CERCLA Section 104(e), 42 U.S.C. § 9604(e);

Change in dates for site file index

5. All documents listed on the EPA Site File Index for the Site March 2013 to December 12, 2018.

Proposed releases

Propose release date for Final production of amended request to be around Friday, January 25, 2019.

(Depends on the amount of time the search for emails will take.)

Propose interim release to include index.

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Send the link for the Administrative Records Site directly to the requester.

The email search would be from March 2013 to December 12, 2018 in Relativity.
Custodians for emails for this current request are:

1. Benevento
2. Bohan
3. Cirian
4. Elsen
5. Ketellaper
6. McGraff
7. Mohler
8. Mylott
9. Thomas
10. Vranka

Search terms to include:

1. Anaconda Aluminum Co
2. CFAC
3. CFAC Plant
4. Columbia Falls Aluminum Company
5. Columbia Falls Reduction Plant
6. Glencore
7. Glencore AG ("Glencore")
8. Montana Department of Environmental Quality
9. Montana DEQ